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## Department of Political and International Studies

### DECLARATION OF ACADEMIC HONESTY

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Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Student No. \_\_\_\_\_  
Subject: \_\_\_\_\_ Lecturer/Tutor: \_\_\_\_\_  
Due Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
Assignment Topic: \_\_\_\_\_

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#### PLAGIARISM DECLARATION

1. I know that “plagiarism” means using another person’s work and ideas without acknowledgement, and pretending that it s one’s own. I know that plagiarism not only includes verbatim copying, but also the extensive (albeit paraphrased) use of another person’s ideas without acknowledgment. I know that plagiarism covers this sort of use of material found in books, textbooks, journal articles, the internet or any other written source. I know also that I must use inverted comas to indicate where I am using words found in the original source so that the reader knows when I am quoting directly and when I am paraphrasing.
2. I acknowledge and understand that plagiarism is wrong, and that it constitutes academic theft.
3. I understand that my written work must be accurately referenced. I have followed the rules and conventions concerning referencing laid out in the course outline for this course.
4. This assignment is my own work, or, in the case of an authorised group assignment, the unique work of that group.
5. I have not allowed, nor will I in the future allow, anyone to copy my work with the intention of passing it off as his or her own work. I also accept that submitting identical work to someone else (a syndicate assignment) constitutes a form of plagiarism. I accept that the same principle applies to authorised group work.

#### ‘TURNITIN’ DECLARATION

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Please tick one of the following boxes:

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Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_